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GATHERING DATA ON THE AVAILABLE LANDS IN COUNTY

A large number of Kingman people attended a meeting called by J. H. Rosenberg in the directors room of the Arizona Central bank, last Tuesday afternoon. The meeting was called for the purpose of arranging for the gathering of data to place before the main committee at Phoenix for submission to Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane relative to lands for returned soldiers.

J. H. Rosenberg attended the meeting at Phoenix last Monday and was impressed with the importance of the movement, so much so that he brought the people together to talk the matter over and to place all the information possible in the hands of the parent committee as soon as possible. W. K. Smith, of Oatman, and S. S. Jones and Judge C. G. Krook, of Kingman, were appointed a committee to compile the data. Mr. Jones will look after the compilation of all data submitted to the Mohave county committee and this will later be sent on to Phoenix.

The matter of lands for returning soldiers is an important one, especially as it will necessitate projects throughout the country, where water may be brought onto desirable tracts of lands. This is the status of the project in Mohave county. With water made available we have many hundreds of thousands of acres of fertile lands that would give homes to thousands of men who wished to cultivate the soil. Our climate is superb and our soils are the best on earth. Every class and kind of fruit can be raised here, with possibly the exception of citrus and olive. Lands are suitable to the growing of the long staple cotton, sugar and sorghum cane, as well as raising from five to eight crops of alfalfa per year. All other kinds of farm crops can also be raised, and from one to three crops each year can be harvested. Taking the lands throughout the county we believe that no other county in the state can produce such a diversity of crops nor offer such delightful all-the-year climate.

Mohave has more unoccupied land than any of the other counties and none of our boys need go through life without a farm, if the government will but furnish the necessary water for irrigation purposes.

ARIZONA REGIMENT WINS PLACE AS WILSON GUARD

That the 158 infantry, the Arizona National Guard boys, have won distinction in the war is evidenced by the fact that it has been selected as the guard of honor for Pres. Wilson while overseas. This is the regiment that was in the battle line for eight days and did so much to stop the German onrush toward Paris. Arizona is proud of her boys no matter what regiment they may have been assigned to and will give them a right royal welcome home. They went out to get the Hun and they valiantly carried out the traditions established by them in the Spanish-American war as the Rough Riders.

CAPT. J. R. DeLAMAR GIVES TO CHARITY

The will of the late Capt. J. R. DeLamar, which is being probated in the New York courts, leaves large bequests to charity as well as to educational institutions. \$500,000 was left to the New York association for the improvement of the poor; \$500,000 to the Netherlands charitable institutions. Large amounts were left to Harvard, Columbia and John-Hopkins universities. The estate, which amounts to between \$25,000,000 and \$30,000,000 goes to the daughter. A large part of the estate consists of stocks and bonds and mining property in South Africa and the United States. A few relations and friends are named in the will for small bequests.

WHO WENT JOY RIDING IN JUDGE ARMOUR'S CAR?

Somebody in Kingman went joy riding in Judge Armour's car Wednesday night without asking the Judge's permission. Nor did they pay for six gallons of gas they used. The judge upon rising Thursday morning found his car missing. The loss was reported to the Sheriff's office and later in the morning it was found on Oak street between Fourth and Fifth.

No damage was done the car though it must have traveled over considerable territory for the gas tank was reduced from nine gallons to six and a Ford can make "some trip" on six gallons.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL TOTALS 770

Red Cross Christmas Headquarters report a total enrollment of 770 members to Thursday night. This includes only partial returns from outlying districts and the number will be materially increased when all returns are in.

Captains of all districts in Kingman have done strenuous work and report nearly 100 per cent enrollment in their several districts. The officers and district workers feel deeply appreciative of the generous response given to their efforts by the citizens of Kingman and they feel no doubt that when the final returns are in Mohave county will again be found on the Honor Roll of the State.

It is urgently requested that all who may not yet have joined the Red Cross Christmas Roll Call do not wait to be asked, but that they come to Headquarters and sign the roll and subscribe a dollar. It is inconceivable that any one would refuse such a small amount when it is known how our boys in France look upon the Red Cross. One of the Captains was at the station one day this week in her Red Cross cap and arm band. Two officers who were passing through on the train came up to her and gave her a dollar each. They were both loud in their praise of the work done by the noble women of the order.

The drive ends the Monday night and if you have not come through with your dollar do not wait until it is too late. When our boys come back you will want to be wearing the button.

DR. TODT TO REMAIN HERE—LIKES COUNTY

Kingman people will be pleased to learn that Dr. W. C. Todt is planning upon remaining in Kingman.

The doctor, after his return from the coast where he is going to spend the holidays, will have his office with Dr. White.

The excellent climate of Mohave county can be accredited largely with Dr. Todt's decision to remain here.

NOTICE TO LADIES OF THE RED CROSS

Work will be resumed at the rooms in the M. E. Church on Friday, December 27th, 1918. There will be variety to suit the skill of each worker. Will all knitters having articles to turn in or wishing wool, kindly report at this meeting.

Mrs. C. A. Warren,
Chairman Chapter Production.

RED CROSS DONATIONS

Since last reported the following donations have been received by Mohave County Chapter, A. R. C.

Nov. 25. W. H. Henderson \$ 5.00
Dec. 5. Emerald Isle Boarding
House 6.04
Dec. 5. Minnie A. Sawyer 5.00
Dec. 17. W. W. Clack 5.00
Total \$21.00
J. T. Watkins, Secretary.

CAMP FIRE GIRLS WILL GIVE DANCE

The Camp Fire Girls are planning to give a dance in Kingman New Year's eve if the Board of Health deems it safe to do so.

The arrangements have not been completed but it is safe to say that usual good time will be enjoyed by those who attend.

WINDOWS BROKEN IN RANCHHOUSE—STORE ROBBED LAST WEEK

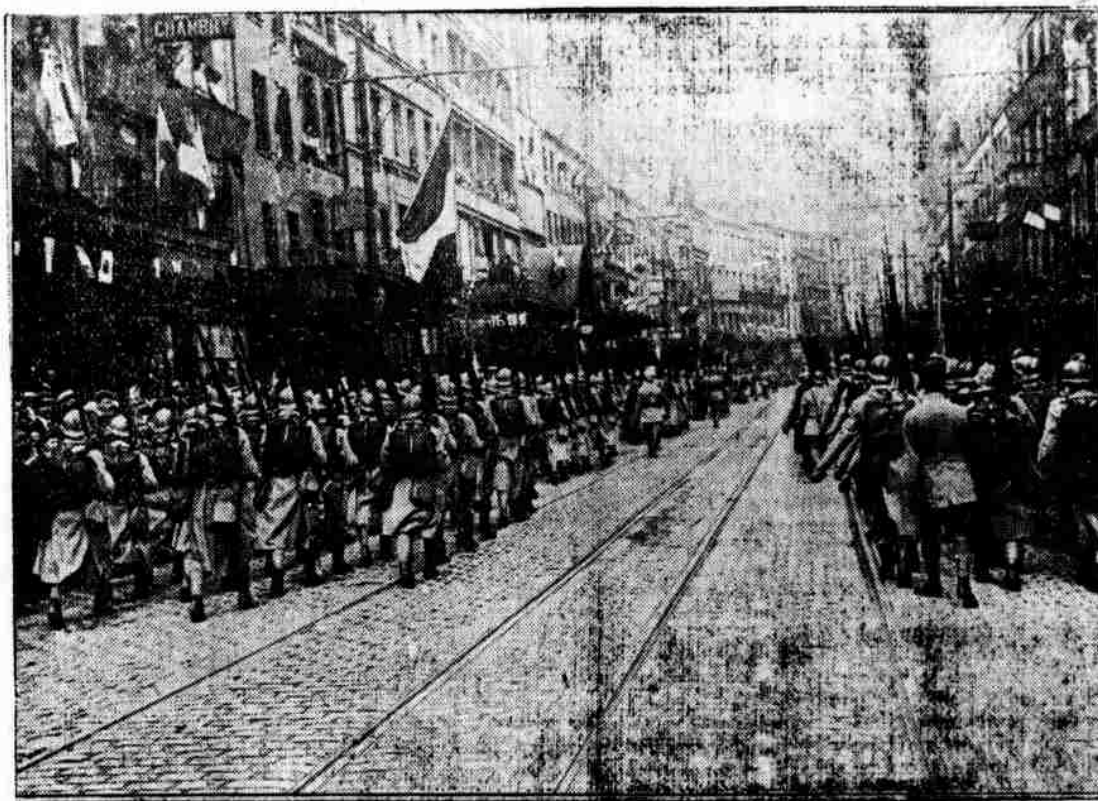
Last Monday practically all the windows were broken in the house at the Jack Johnson ranch, the property of the Kingman Water company. The miscreants, undoubtedly boys, were not satisfied with breaking the windows but went further, breaking all the sashes.

This is the second occurrence of this kind recently. A few weeks ago the windows were broken at the Beale Springs house which is also the property of the Kingman Water company.

A week ago the Arizona Stores company was broken into and materials amounting to over \$100 taken. This was also the work of boys as practically all the articles taken were those a boy would be most apt to think of. The officers are working on this case and expect to round up the boys who did it very soon.

Again we are reminded that something will have to be done for the boys in Kingman to fill their minds with something to take the place of this spirit of destruction that seems to be running strong in their minds now.

TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO THE CITY OF LILLE BY FRENCH TROOPS



French troops making their Triumphal Entry into the City of Lille acclaimed by the population from every vantage point.

MRS. JOHN J. LANE TO MAKE WHITE PLAGUE SURVEY

Mrs. John J. Lane, of Detroit, Mich., a woman of nation-wide experience in the prevention of tuberculosis, has been engaged by the state association for the prevention of tuberculosis as a survey nurse and will visit all sections of Arizona to gather data regarding tuberculosis. At this time a national effort will be made to suppress the white plague and every effort should be put forth to combat it in this state. Mrs. Lane will receive the assistance of state and county organizations to aid her in the work she has undertaken and is expected to instruct in the use of serum and the establishment of spraying stations to combat influenza and also to introduce preventative measures against the spread of tuberculosis.

SLAB OF ELECTROLYTIC COPPER AT THE BEALE

A fine specimen of electrolytic copper from the Emerald Isle was placed on exhibition at the Beale Hotel this week by J. H. Conway.

The slab weighs 113 pounds and is pure copper, and at the present price of copper is worth \$29.38.

The proceeds of the sale of this copper will be given to the churches of Kingman.

S. D. Stewart returned from Los Angeles and San Diego last week. Mr. Stewart is still weak from the influenza attack he had while on his trip.

Board of Health Lifts the "Flu" Ban in Mohave County

At a meeting of representative citizens of Mohave county called by the Board of Health yesterday afternoon the influenza situation throughout the county was discussed after which it was decided to lift the ban on public gatherings at once with the exception of public dances and the schools which it is planned to open the first of the year, provided there is no serious outbreak of the "flu" between now and that time.

Lang's theatre will open Christmas Eve. The Catholic Church will hold services Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and the St. John's, M. E. Church a week from tomorrow. The pool rooms will open at once.

The Board of Health will endeavor to placard all the cases of influenza as they appear thus preventing to some extent the spread of the disease. People are urged to use precautions such as spraying before going to a public gathering and to not go at all if they have any signs of a cold, because a slight cold sometimes carries influenza germs which may be transferred to another person and prove fatal.

It is expected that there will be some flare up at first but how much is not known.

The schools will open January 1st. If the situation should grow worse however this order will be rescinded. In speaking of the opening of the schools, Prof. W. L. Linville says: "All students are urged to report

The Great Benefit To Be Derived From National Highways Across U.S.

The people of northern Arizona may not be alive to the importance of highway building and especially the trunk lines that will soon be under construction across the Continent, but if they are they should be up and doing, for the peoples of other sections not only of Arizona but the whole west are making tremendous effort to secure one or more of these lines. Members of congress from the southern states are canvassing the situation that they may secure a large part of the appropriations for these highways and a committee fathered by Congressman Bankhead of Alabama is now on its way across the southern route gathering data which will be presented to congress at its session in January. The effort of this commission will be to route this highway through Texas and over the Borderland route to Tucson and Phoenix, thence to Yuma and across the great Colorado desert to Los Angeles. The people of the south part of state are alive to the importance of the highway and while they cannot zig-zag it around to pass through all the towns they are making effort to divert it through as many as possible, so that there will be unity of purposes shown when the commission reaches these towns.

Now, we of the north do not object to a trunk highway being built across the south part of the state, but we do feel that these lines should be laid out with the object of obtaining for them the possibility of all the year travel, or as near that object as climatic conditions will give it. And

such objective can only be obtained by building it over the National Old Trails highway. It is true that this highway gets some snow in the winter months, but aside from a few weeks of such impediment on the mountains it can be traveled every day in the year. Another feature in its favor is that it is more than 200 miles shorter from Chicago and St. Louis than any other route, and of course it is shorter from New York City and other Atlantic seaboard cities. We have the only scenic

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RAILROAD CONTRACTOR HERE ON BUSINESS

Charles W. Miller, a well known contractor, has been in Kingman several days attending to business. He has contracts for the extension of sidetracks at seven places in this county. At this time he is working on two, one near Drake and the other east of Berry. Mr. Miller formerly operated a big rock quarry in Kingman canyon, whence came all the rock ballast of the main line of the Santa Fe west of Kingman.

ARIZONA RANKS HIGH IN GOAT PRODUCTION

Dr. R. H. Williams, Professor of Animal Husbandry at the University, of Ariz., attended the annual meeting of Arizona Goat Breeders and also the meeting of the National Association of Mohair Growers, held at Phoenix last week. The meetings were most successful and it was again shown that the future of goat raising in this state is exceptionally promising. Already Arizona ranks third among the goat raising states of the Union and the advantages possessed for this industry in every particular are many. At the meeting of National Association of Mohair Growers there were many delegates from Oregon, California, Texas, New Mexico and Missouri. The association is a strong one and is taking an active part in marketing of mohair.

"FLU" DECREASING ON BIG SANDY

J. B. McNaughton, who has been looking after sick friends of his on the Big Sandy, reports that all the patients in that country are well on the road to recovery. While there were many people suffering from influenza there was not a single death reported from that section.

FUNERAL OF JACK MOWLES AT OATMAN

Jack Mowles, who passed away at Oatman last Friday, a victim of the "flu" was laid to rest in Mountain View cemetery Tuesday afternoon, many friends accompanied the remains here from that camp and joining with friends in this city in laying him down to his last sleep. "May he rest in peace."

RODNEY BRADLEY SUICIDE MONDAY AT COUNTY JAIL

Killed himself by a shot thru the heart—Was mentally unbalanced, following attack of Influenza.

Rodney Bradley took his own life last Monday by placing a revolver to his breast and firing a shot into his heart at the County Jail, here, where he had been confined for several weeks, following an attack of mental trouble, due supposedly to the inroads of influenza.

This young man has been a resident of Oatman for several months, being employed as a miner by one of the mining companies at that place, until about a month ago, when he suffered an attack of the "flu" and after passing through this into the convalescent period, was troubled mentally; so much so, in fact, that one night was spent by him in the hills about there clad only in his underwear.

Following this experience, Deputy Sheriff Mackie brought the young fellow to Kingman, where he seemed to indicate improvement during his detention in the jail. He was asked by Sheriff Cohenour about his condition and replied that he was alright physically, but that his mental condition was such that he was afraid to go to work.

It was then thought best that he be sent to the asylum at Phoenix for treatment and to this he gave assent, thinking, so he stated to the officers, that such would be best for him.

The day of his demise, he was to have appeared before the Superior Judge for examination, this having been delayed on account of the Judge's absence in Calif.

The actual details of the shooting itself appears as follows: Bradley had been confined in the lower portion of the jail in the southwest room of the first floor and another inmate has occupied a room directly adjoining to the east, only a small hallway intervening and has had his personal effects in his possession, contained in a small tin grip within this room.

Together with this he has been allowed to go out of the jail for walks in the open air many times, always returning and asking to again be locked in the building.

During one of these walks on Saturday last, he purchased a revolver from the second hand store, and Monday morning returned to the proprietor, George Sargent, with the gun, claiming that he was unable to find any shells to fit it. He was given a sample shell by Sargent and forthwith went to the Arizona Stores company and purchased a full box of shells.

Returning then to the jail, he again requested the officers to lock him in and in about twenty minutes fired the shot into his body, which ended his life.

During all of his visits to the stores the parties waiting on him report, Continued on Page Four

AERIAL MAIL SERVICE WILL BE ROUTED THROUGH KINGMAN

After mapping the air lanes of the Pacific coast the government has decided to place in commission a large number of aeroplanes on a route from Sacramento by way of Kingman to Denver and the east. The first leg of the trip is now routed across the desert, Truxtun being the first station, and the distance being more than 500 miles. Truxtun is in Cherokee valley, about 40 miles east of Kingman. This place was looked into by the aero squadron that recently visited Kingman, but the report was in favor of Kingman on account of the air currents and the splendid field where landings could be made without danger. The field at Truxtun would have to be smoother down to allow a safe landing, on account of the manner in which that section is cut up by flood waters.

The first planes that will be put in commission will make the trip over here with a consignment of mail within the next few weeks. Kingman people should take the matter up with the postoffice department and we expect that the change could be made to this place readily.

JUST ARRIVED

A baby boy at 7:30 this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Elmo Bollinger.

Postmaster Charles Metcalfe has received a new shipment of \$15,000 worth of War Savings Stamps.

These new stamps are of the \$5.00 variety but much smaller than the Baby Bonds formerly sold. These Bonds will go on sale Jan. 1st.